

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Claims 1-25 cancelled.

26. (Currently amended) A method for making a cosmetic composition for topically delivering a compound that inhibits the production and release of enzymatically produced ROMs comprising:

providing a cosmetically acceptable carrier and a compound selected from the group consisting of histamine, histamine dihydrochloride, histamine diphosphate, other histamine salts, esters, prodrugs, histamine-receptor agonists, serotonin, ~~and~~ 5HT agonists, and compounds that promote the release of endogenous histamine stores in a concentration effective to treat ROM mediated damage to the skin caused by a disorder of the skin selected from the group consisting of herpes labialis, herpes genitalis, herpes zoster, varicella zoster, bacterial infections, chemotherapy-induced mucositis, radiotherapy-induced mucositis, photodermatitis, thermal burns, cosmetic surgery and periodontal disease; and

forming a composition containing the cosmetically acceptable carrier and said compound that inhibits the production and release of enzymatically produced ROMs.

27. (Cancelled)

28. (Currently amended) The method of Claim ~~27~~ 26, wherein said endogenous histamine releasing compound is selected from a group consisting of IL-3, retinoic acid, 9-cis-retinoic acid, all-trans-retinoic acid, and allergens.

29. (Previously presented) The method of Claim 26, wherein said composition is a lipstick.

30. (Previously presented) The method of Claim 26, wherein said composition is a shampoo.

31. (Cancelled)

32. (Previously presented) The method of Claim 26, wherein said cosmetically acceptable carrier is a mouthwash.

33.-44. (Canceled)

45. (Previously presented) The method of Claim 26, further comprising providing a colorant.

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46. (New) The method of Claim 45, wherein the colorant is FD&C Red No.
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47. (New) The method of Claim 45, wherein the colorant is FD&C Yellow
No. 5.
48. (New) The method of Claim 26, further comprising providing a fragrance.